

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Julian called the regular meeting of the Kasson Township Board to order at 7:00 pm, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Members Present: Greg Julian – Supervisor, Dana Boomer - Clerk, Julia Carter – Treasurer, Roger Noonan – Trustee, Tad Carter - Trustee  
Member(s) Absent: None  
Staff Present: Sheree Nelson

**AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA** – The board briefly discussed the agenda. **T. Carter moved to approve the agenda as amended. Noonan seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Don Drabik – regarding Elmers and the other gravel pits, there has been a lot of dust coming out of the pits, and ending up on the roads. In some areas, big trucks are required to drive through wash downs to reduce the dust. The board briefly discussed – the pits are supposed to keep the dust down, including on the roads. Julian will contact Cypher to ask him to approach the pits about the dust and mud on the roads.

**MINUTES** – The board discussed the minutes from the regular meeting on June 8, 2021. **Noonan moved, T. Carter seconded to approve the June 8, 2021 regular meeting minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.**

**PERTINENT COMMUNICATIONS:** Board members received a communication from Agnes Carter regarding Tourist-Oriented Directional signs, requesting that these signs be banned from county and rural roads. The board briefly discussed, acknowledged receipt of the letter, and Julian will reach out to Trudy Galla, Tim Cypher, and the LCRC to see if anything can be done.

**PRESENTATION:** None – The Leelanau County Road Commission was scheduled to present, but the LCRC asked for additional time. This was moved to August.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

- a) **TREASURER'S REPORT:** J. Carter presented the treasurer's report to the board. Receipts total \$5,653.47. Disbursements \$14,959.85. Balance \$389,481.20. Boomer and J. Carter stated that the clerk's books and treasurer's books are in balance.
- b) **BUDGET REPORT:** Boomer and Nelson presented the budget report through June 2021. The board briefly discussed.
- c) **BILL APPROVAL** – Boomer and Nelson presented the updated check detail. The board briefly discussed. In addition, it was requested that a bill in the amount of \$243.94 to Don Drabik Studios be paid. **Noonan moved to pay the bills as presented; seconded by T. Carter. All in favor, motion carried.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. **Cemeteries** – Boomer reported that she had followed up with Zach Baker regarding surveying – the East Kasson Cemetery is on his schedule for the third week in August. Don Drabik had taken a look at the Kasson Cemetery sign and stated that it is faded and hard to read. The board requested that Drabik develop a design for signs to be used at both the Kasson and East Kasson Cemeteries.
- b. **Federal American Rescue Plan Act** – Boomer has been working on putting in the request for funds. She believes the paperwork for this is almost complete. The board briefly discussed options for spending the funding, which does not need to be determined until 2024. The board had consensus for Julian and Boomer to continue pursuing the funding.
- c. **Mining/Gravel Legislation** – Julian reported the Senate is on summer recess, and will be back in August. Julian will report further when the Senate is back in session.
- d. **Other Unfinished Business** - None

#### **NEW BUSINESS –**

- a. **ZA Contract** – Cypher had presented a draft contract with changes from the current contract. The board reviewed and discussed. There is an increase in fees from \$1100 to \$1300, and from \$50 to \$75 per meeting and per hour for extra work. Julian recommended approving the contract. **Noonan moved, T. Carter seconded to approve the Cypher Group Inc contract for zoning services from August 13, 2021 through August 13, 2025. All in favor, motion carried.**
- b. **PILT Contract** – Julian had received the PILT contract from the county, with Kasson Township's portion being \$702.63. The board had consensus for Julian to sign the contract.
- c. **Wings of Wonder Resolution Request** – There is a request from Wings of Wonder for the board to pass a resolution recognizing them as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purposes of receiving a charitable gaming license (see attached for full text, Resolution 11-2021). **T. Carter moved, Noonan seconded to approve Resolution 11-2021, recognizing Wings of Wonder as a nonprofit organization operating in the community. Roll call vote: T. Carter (yes), Noonan (yes), J. Carter (yes), Boomer (yes), Julian (yes). All in favor, motion carried.**
- d. **F-65 Submission/Gabridge Bid** – Gabridge had submitted a bid of \$600-1200 for completion of the FYE 2021 F-65 financial documentation as required by the state. Boomer and Nelson recommended that the bid be accepted, as the documentation can be technical and it is best to have a licensed firm conduct the work. **Boomer motioned, Noonan seconded to approve the bid from Gabridge for completion of the F-65. All in favor, motion carried.**
- e. **Other New Business** - None

#### **CAPITAL PROJECTS – EXPLORATION**

- a. **Maple City Sidewalks** – No changes
- b. **Broadband** – Natalie Wilson reported that on technical advisory committee. The Leelanau County Commissioners Executive Committee had a presentation today from Spectrum/Charter. Spectrum claims to be working in Kasson Township under the rural broadband program, and has plans to expand their services. Their presentation stated that the program would not cover the entire township, and may take years to implement. Wilson has been reaching out to county-level officials regarding broadband programs. The tech committee is continuing to work on

possibilities for an RFP. A fiber network to cover the entire township would approach 87 miles of fiber. Mason County recently voted to construct a Fiber to Premise network covering the entire county. Wilson and the board briefly discussed wireless options in the township and county.

- c. **Township Hall Renovation** – Julian received an initial spec sheet from Cooley Contracting. The board discussed. The proposal had a second entrance being installed in the middle of the north wall, which the board disagreed with. The board discussed second entrances in either the area where the basement exit is currently or the exit in the southwest corner of the building. The board had consensus to reimburse Julian for approximately \$40 for blinds that he installed in the bathrooms. Boomer will bring a tractor to smooth out the old sandbox and remove an extra post and the tires at some point this summer or early fall.
- d. **Fire Department Water Points** – Boomer has been working with Chief Doornbos on ideas for water points. She is working to contact well drilling and excavating companies to begin to get specs and prices for this project.
- e. **Fire Department New Station** – Julian spoke with Tim Stein regarding the possibility of Kasson and Cleveland working together to explore a new station. Stein discussed this with his board, who are in favor of putting together an exploratory committee. The board discussed the composition and powers of an exploratory committee. The board will continue to consider the composition of an exploratory committee next month.

**REPORTS: Planning Commission (PC)** – T. Carter reported that the June meeting was held, and discussed the Lively project and the Master Plan. Noonan expressed discontent that Elmers had been allowed to berm directly off the road. The pits should be required to place the berm behind the required trees, rather than clear-cutting to the road, then placing a berm and planting trees on the berm. In addition, the ordinance should be more specific on the size of trees to be planted and maintenance of them. T. Carter will pass those concerns along to the Planning Commission.

**Zoning Administrator (ZA)** – Cypher had submitted written reports to the board, and provided a summary of his activities for the month. The board briefly discussed.

**Supervisor** – Julian summarized his activities for the month. The Road Commission will be paving the intersection at Newman Road and Kasson Center Road at some point, but it may not be this year. They will be working to finish the tar and chip work in the township as well.

**Assessor** – Nothing to report – assessment business is being conducted as normal.

**Fire Board** – The Fire Board will have a public hearing on the 2022/23 budget at the August meeting, which was rescheduled to August 24. Contract negotiations are under way.

**Clerk/Elections Report** – August election planning is well under way. Over 200 absentee ballots have been distributed, and the township is on track to send out at least twice what was sent out for the last single-issue election. The Election Commission will be meeting after the meeting tonight to appoint election inspectors, and will be meeting later in the month to conduct public election accuracy testing. Boomer has begun utilizing The Copy Shop in Traverse City for some of the basic absentee ballot inserts, as they are local, cheaper, and faster. Some of the more complicated portions of the absentee ballot mailings must still be purchased through the main election supplies distributor.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS: Hall Use and Buildings and Grounds Reports** – The hall has two upcoming uses for August 7 – one during the day and the Davis Lake Association that evening. Julian stated that

the park and cemeteries are looking good. Bob Underwood will be cleaning the hall prior to and after the election. The board had consensus to have Bob Underwood look at the chair cart that is missing a caster to repair or replace it. The board had consensus to request that Underwood conduct a cleaning of the kitchen cupboards during one of his cleanings at the hall.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**BOARD COMMENT:** None

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 7 pm.

**Motion** by J. Carter to adjourn, second by Noonan / **All in favor, motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Submitted by:  
Dana Boomer, Township Clerk

**LOCAL GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION FOR CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSES**  
(Required by MCL 432.103)(K.A.1)

At a Regular meeting of the Hasson Township Board  
REGULAR OR SPECIAL TOWNSHIP CITY OR VILLAGE COUNCIL BOARD  
 called to order by Greg Julian on 7/13/2021  
DATE  
 at 7 pm a.m./p.m. the following resolution was offered:  
TIME  
 Moved by Tad Carter and supported by Roger Numan  
 that the request from Wings of Wonder of Empire  
NAME OF ORGANIZATION CITY  
 county of Leech Lake asking that they be recognized as a  
COUNTY NAME  
 nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining charitable  
 gaming licenses, be considered for Approval.  
APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL

APPROVAL	DISAPPROVAL
Yeas: <u>5</u>	Yeas: <u>          </u>
Nays: <u>0</u>	Nays: <u>          </u>
Absent: <u>0</u>	Absent: <u>          </u>

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution offered and  
 adopted by the Hasson Township Board at a Regular  
TOWNSHIP CITY OR VILLAGE COUNCIL BOARD REGULAR OR SPECIAL

meeting held on July 13, 2021  
DATE

SIGNED: Dana Boomer  
TOWNSHIP CITY OR VILLAGE CLERK

Dana Boomer, Township Clerk  
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

P.O. Box 62, Maple City, MI 49664  
ADDRESS

COMPLETION REQUIRED  
 PENALTY: Forfeiture of application  
 BSL-CG-1153(6/2019)